



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

May 28, 2003

The Honorable George W. Bush
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We write to inform you of increasing bipartisan concern in the U.S. Congress with the detention of Dr. Yang Jianli, a legal U.S. resident and pro-democracy scholar held incommunicado in China for more than a year, without access to an attorney or to his family.

During the past year, Members of Congress from both parties and both Houses have urged the government of China to release Dr. Yang. We are grateful for the recent letter from Dr. Condoleezza Rice to Dr. Yang's wife, Christina Fu, documenting the importance your administration has attached to Dr. Yang's detention and earliest release.

We recently introduced House Resolution 199 urging the release of Dr. Yang and supporting your efforts on his behalf. Already, 40 Representatives have co-sponsored this legislation.

On the basis of this growing Congressional concern, we respectfully request that your administration raise Dr. Yang's case during your upcoming meetings with the government of China next week. Thank you very much for your administration's efforts on behalf of Dr. Yang to date, and for your continued attention to this important human rights matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chris Cox".

Christopher Cox
U.S. Representative

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Barney Frank".

Barney Frank
U.S. Representative